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warrants for the amount due each local registrar and mail the same to the local registrars at their respective post office addresses, as given in such certificate of the State registrar.

Sec. 11. That section 5442 of Remington and Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington le amended to read as follows:

SEC. 5442. It shall be the duty of the State registrar to, upon request, furnish any applicant with a certified copy of the record of any irth or death, registered under the provisions of this act, for the making and certification of which he shall be entitled to a fee of 50 cents, to be paid by the applicant. For any search of the files and the records when no certified copy is made, the State registrar shall be entitled to a fee of 50 cents for each hour or fractional part of an hour employed in such search, to be paid by the applicant. But the State registrar and all local registrars shall furnish upon application, certificates of the age of children to be used in attending the pullic schools or in obtaining employment permits without fee or compensation. The State registrar shall keep a true and correct account of all fees received by him under the provisions of this act, and turn the same over to the State treasurer on the 1st day of January, April, July, and Octo' er. Local registrars in cities of the first, second, and third class shall be entitled to charge for certified copies of records of 1 irths and deaths and for searching of records when no certified copy is made, the same fee as hereinabove provided for the State registrar, but such fees, if any collected, shall be paid into the treasury of the city where collected.

Sec. 12. That section 5443 of Remington and Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington be amended to read as follows:

SEC. 5443. Every person who shall violate or wilfully fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with any provision of this act shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and for a second offense shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25, and for a third and each subsequent offense shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$250; or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both fine and imprisonment; and every person who shall wilfully furnish any false information for any certificate required by this act or who shall make any false statement in any such certificate shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

## Hotels—Sanitary Regulation. (Chap. 29, Laws of 1909, as Amended by Chap. 169, Act Mar. 19, 1915.)

Section 1. Every building or structure kept, used, or maintained as, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be an inn, hotel, or public lodging house, or place where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the public for hire in periods of less than one week, in which five or more rooms are used for the sleeping accommodation of its guests, shall, for the purpose of this act, be defined to be a hotel, and whenever the word hotel shall occur in this act it shall be construed to mean and embrace every such structure as is described in this section. Tents or cottages, when used in connection with such hotel for the accommodation of its guests, shall be taken and considered as being a part of such hotel. Where any room of a hotel contains more than one bed, every bed in excess of one shall, for the purpose of this act, be counted as an additional room.

[Sections 2 to 5, inclusive, relate to fire escapes.]

SEC. 6. Every hotel shall furnish each guest with clean linen or cotton individual towels, in each room occupied by such guests. A sufficient supply of clean sheets and pillow slips shall be provided for the bed, bunk, or cot to be occupied by a guest, and all sheets and pillow slips, after being used by one guest, must be washed, ironed, and dried before being furnished to another guest. Each sheet used shall be at least 99 inches, torn-off length, by 81 inches wide for full-size beds, and for narrower beds of sufficient width to completely cover the mattress and springs, but no sheet shall be

used that measures less than 90 inches in length after being made and laundered: *Provided*, That hotels shall be privileged to use sheets now on hand that comply with the present law.

- Sec. 7. No ashes from any hotel shall be dumped or kept in or adjacent thereto, or in any outhouse connected with any hotel, unless the same shall be placed in a tight metal container, with a tight metal lid thereon.
- Sec. 8. Each and every hotel having a public washroom shall keep therein at all times a sufficient supply of clean towels, in a place in sight at all times and easy of access to guests.
- Sec. 9. Whenever any room in any hotel shall have been occupied by any person sick with or exposed to any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease such room shall be thoroughly fumigated in accordance with the directions of the local health officer, and all bedding therein thoroughly disinfected before such room shall be occupied by another person. But in any event such room shall not be occupied by any person for at least 48 hours after such fumigation and disinfection.
- Sec. 10. Every hotel shall be well drained, constructed, and plumbed according to sanitary rules to be established by the State board of health and shall be kept clean and in a sanitary condition and free from effluvia arising from any sewer, drain, privy, or other source within the control of the owner, manager, agent, or other person in charge; and shall be provided with water-closets or privies properly screened for the separate use of males and females, which water-closets or privies shall be disinfected as often as may be necessary to keep them at all times in a sanitary condition.
- Sec. 11. Every owner, manager, agent, or person in charge of a hotel who shall fail to comply with any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 or shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than 10 days nor more than 3 months, or both, and every day that such hotel is carried on in violation of this act shall constitute a separate offense.
- SEC. 12. For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act the governor, by and with the approval of the senate, shall appoint an inspector of hotels, who shall hold office for four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified; but the governor may remove such inspector and appoint another in his place whenever he shall deem it necessary for the public good. Said inspector shall receive an annual salary of \$1,800, together with his necessary traveling expenses, payable monthly. He shall give bond to the State in the penal sum of \$5,000, conditioned for the faithful performance of his official duties, to be approved by the secretary of state
- SEC. 13. Such inspector may appoint, and at pleasure remove, one deputy inspector for each congressional district, who shall assist under his direction in performing within his district the duties imposed by this act. They shall each give bond to the State in the sum of \$2,000, with like conditions as that of the inspector, to be approved by the secretary of state. They shall receive such compensation, not exceeding \$125 per month and their necessary traveling expenses, to be paid according to law, as the inspector may prescribe.
- SEC. 14. It shall be the duty of the inspector and his deputies to see that all of the provisions of this act are complied with, and said inspector, or the deputy for the district, shall personally inspect once in each year every hotel as defined by this act. Said inspector and his deputies are hereby granted police power to enter any hotel at reasonable hours to determine whether the provisions of this act are being complied with. The inspector shall keep a complete set of books for public use and inspection, showing the conditions of each hotel so inspected, together with the name or names of the owners, proprietors, and managers thereof, and showing its sanitary condition, the number and condition of its fire escapes, and any other information for the betterment of the public service.

Sec. 15. If the inspector shall find, after examination of any hotel, that this law has been fully complied with and the inspection fee has been paid to the inspector, he shall issue a certificate to that effect to the person operating the same, and said certificate shall be kept posted up in a conspicuous place in said inspected building.

SEC. 16. Any inspector who shall willfully certify falsely regarding any building inspected by him, and who shall issue a certificate to any person operating any hotel when such person has not complied with the provisions of this act, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined not less than \$50 nor to exceed \$500 and may be imprisoned not to exceed one year in the county jail, or both, at the discretion of the court, and upon conviction shall be forever disqualified to hold said office.

SEC. 17. Any owner, manager, agent, or person in charge of a hotel who shall obstruct or hinder an inspector in the proper discharge of his duties under this act, or who shall refuse or neglect to pay the fee for inspection prescribed herein, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 or shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than 10 days nor more than three months, or both.

SEC. 18. It shall be the duty of the inspector, upon ascertaining by inspection or otherwise, that, after one year from the passage of this act, any hotel is being carried on contrary to its provisions, to make complaint and cause the arrest of the person so violating same, and it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney in such case to prepare all necessary papers and conduct such prosecutions.

SEC. 19. The hotel inspector shall collect an annual inspection fee for each hotel which shall be paid according to the following schedule:

Hotels containing from 5 to 10 sleeping rooms, inclusive, \$3; hotels containing from 11 to 20 sleeping rooms, inclusive, \$4; hotels containing from 21 to 60 sleeping rooms, inclusive, \$7; hotels containing from 61 to 100 sleeping rooms, inclusive, \$10; hotels containing over 100 sleeping rooms, \$12.50. Such fee shall be collected by the inspector at the time of the inspection, and if not paid upon demand the inspector or deputy may sue therefor in his own name for the use of the State in the superior court of the State for the county in which such hotel is situated, and in such case the court shall allow and enter as a part of the judgment against the defendant all the costs of such action, including a reasonable fee for any attorney necessarily employed in such action by the inspector. Such inspection fees shall be a lien on the furniture and equipment of the owners or proprietors of the hotel and shall be paramount to all other liens excepting taxes, and such furniture and equipment shall not be exempt from execution in the collection thereof. All moneys collected under the provisions of this act shall be paid into the State treasury in the manner provided by law.

Sec. 20. For the payment of salaries of the State hotel inspector and his deputies, for necessary traveling expenses, office stationery, supplies, and incidentals there is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be paid according to law, but in no event shall the amount appropriated during any biennial period exceed the collections under this act during said period.

## WEST VIRGINIA.

Common Towels—Use of, in Schools Prohibited. (Reg. Public Health Council, July 23, 1915.)

No common towel shall be used in any public school in the State after October 1, 1915. Paper towels are recommended, but pupils may be permitted to use their own private towels.